IN RE:

PETITION FOR VARIANCE

S/S Forest Green Road, 755' W

of Pimlico Road

(2433 Forest Green Road) 3rd Election District 2nd Councilmanic District

Stephen M. Friedman, et ux

Petitioners

\* BEFORE THE

\* DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

\* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

\* Case No. 96-329-A

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# FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before the Deputy Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Variance for that property known as 2433 Forest Green Road, located in the vicinity of Smith Avenue and Pimlico Road near Pikesville. The Petition was filed by the owners of the property, Stephen M. and Elaine F. Friedman. The Petitioners seek relief from Section 211.3 and 301.1 (1955 Regulations) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit an open projection (existing deck) with a side yard setback of 3.6 feet in lieu of the required 11.25 feet. The subject property and relief sought are more particularly described on the site plan submitted which was accepted and marked into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the hearing on behalf of the Petition were Stephen Friedman, property owner, and Julius W. Lichter, Esquire, attorney for the Petitioners. Appearing in support of the request were Doris Hyatt and Gabriel Rosenbush, Jr., nearby property owners. Appearing as a Protestant in the matter was Beatrice Davis, adjoining property owner.

Testimony and evidence offered revealed that the subject property consists of .12 acres, more or less, zoned D.R. 5.5 and is improved with a single family dwelling and an attached open deck, which is the subject of this request. The Petitioners testified that they had applied for and

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obtained a building permit to construct the subject deck in 1989 and that the deck has existed on the property since that time. There have been no modifications or changes to the structure since it was built. It was recently discovered, however, that this deck is located 3.6 feet from the property line shared with Ms. Davis. Testimony revealed that Ms. Davis resided next door at the time the deck was constructed and did not voice any complaint at that time. Ms. Friedman testified that she and her husband use the deck for cook-outs and for relaxing outdoors when weather permits. Ms. Friedman also submitted a Petition which had been signed by many of her neighbors who reside in the community indicating that they have no objections to the deck. Furthermore, the Petitioners submitted into evidence photographs of their property depicting the deck in question and other decks in the community which are built similarly.

As noted above, Ms. Beatrice Davis appeared in opposition to the

As noted above, Ms. Beatrice Davis appeared in opposition to the relief requested. Ms. Davis is opposed to the deck as she feels it is too close to her property and invades her privacy. She testified that her neighbors can see into her bedroom when they use their deck. Ms. Davis testified that she has resided in her house since 1987 and assumed that the deck had been constructed in compliance with all Baltimore County regulations. Recently, however, Ms. Davis purchased a dog and had a fence constructed around her property. During the course of a property line survey of her property which was done for the fence, it was discovered that her neighbors' deck was located close to their property line and that a variance was required. Ms. Davis objects to the variance and believes the Petitioners should maintain the required setback for their deck.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and

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his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

- 1) whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;
- 2) whether a grant of the variance would do a substantial justice to the applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give sufficient relief; and,
- 3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28 (1974).

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship will result if the variance is not granted. The testimony and evidence in this case shows that the deck has existed on the property for the past seven years. Furthermore, a valid building permit for the deck was issued and it should have been determined at that time if a variance was needed prior to construction of the deck. This error is not attributable to the Petitioners, but apparently is due to a clerical mistake made by a County employee. In any event, I do not believe that the Petitioners should be penalized and required to remove the deck or to reduce its size as a result of this error. In my opinion, the relief requested will not be detrimental to the health, safety or general welfare of the surrounding locale and meets the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the variance requested should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this day of May, 1996 that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from Section 211.3 and 301.1 (1955 Regulations) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit an existing open projection (deck) with a side yard setback of 3.6 feet in lieu of the required 11.25 feet, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby GRANTED; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any party has the right to file an appeal of this decision provided they do so within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order.

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

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# **Baltimore County Government** Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning



Suite 112 Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-4386

May 20, 1996

Julius W. Lichter, Esquire 305 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 113 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

S/S Forest Green Road, 755' W of Pimlico Road

(2433 Forest Green Road)

3rd Election District - 2nd Councilmanic District

Stephen M. Friedman, et ux - Petitioners

Case No. 96-329-A

Dear Mr. Lichter:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petition for Variance has been granted in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Zoning Administration and Development Management office at 887-3391.

Very truly yours,

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

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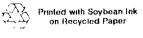
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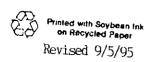
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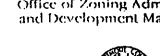
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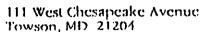
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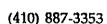
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Baltimore County Zoning Regulations require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property and placement of a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the County.

This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements.

# PAYMENT WILL BE MADE AS FOLLOWS:

- Posting fees will be accessed and paid to this office at the time of filing.
- 2) Billing for legal advertising, due upon receipt, will come from and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

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NAME: MR & MRS STEPHEN FREDMAN
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Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Washington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

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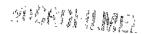
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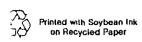
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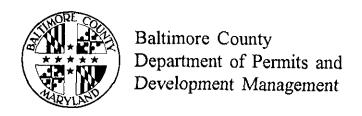
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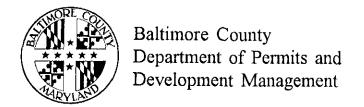
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cc: Stephen and Elaine Friedman

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Development Processing
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Towson, Maryland 21204

April 4, 1996

Mr. and Mrs. Friedman 2433 Forest Green Road Baltimore, MD 21209

RE: Item No.: 329

Case No.: 96-329-A

Petitioner: Stephen Friedman, et ux

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Friedman:

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from Baltimore County approval agencies, has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition, which was accepted for processing by Permits and Development Management (PDM), Zoning Review, on March 18, 1996.

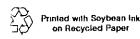
Any comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. Only those comments that are informative will be forwarded to you; those that are not informative will be placed in the permanent case file.

If you need further information or have any questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency or Joyce Watson in the zoning office (887-3391).

W. Carl Richards, Jr. Zoning Supervisor

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# BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

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Arnold Jablon, Director

Date: March 18, 1996

Department of Permits & Development

Management

FROM:

Robert W. Bowling, Chief
Development Plans Review Division
Department of Permits & Development
Management

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

for March 18, 1996

Item Nos. 327, 328, (329,

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The Development Plans Review Division has reviewed the subject zoning items, and we have no comments.

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# Baltimore County Government Fire Department



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DATE: 03/12/96

Arnold Jablon
Director
Zoning Administration and
Development Management
Baltimore County Office Building
Towson, MD 21204
MAIL STOP-1105

RE: Property Owner: SEE BELOW

Location: DISTRIBUTION MEETING OF MAR. 12. 1996

Item No.: SEE BELOW Zoning Agenda:

# Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

8. The Fire Marshal's Office has no comments at this time, IN REFERENCE TO THE FOLLOWING ITEM NUMBERS:325,327,328 330 AND 333.

REVIEWER: LT. ROBERT P. SAUERWALD

Fire Marshal Office, PHONE 887-4881, MS-1102F

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Ms. Joyce Watson Baltimore County Office of Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 109 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE:

Baltimore County Item No. 329 (JLL)

Dear Ms. Watson:

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not affected by any State Highway Administration projects.

Please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

Very truly yours. Bob Small

Ronald Burns, Chief Engineering Access Permits

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#### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

# INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Permits and Development

Management

FROM:

Pat Keller, Director

Office of Planning

SUBJECT:

Petitions from Zoning Advisory Committee

The Office of Planning has no comments on the following petition(s):

Item Nos. 316, 317, 319, 321, 322, 325, 327, (329,) 330, and 333

DATE: March 7, 1996

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 887-3480.

PK/JL

Baltimore County Department of Permits & Development Management 111 West Chesapeake Avenue

#### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Larry E. Schmidt

Zoning Commissioner

DATE: March 14, 1996

FROM:

James H. Thompson - MG

Code Enforcement Supervisor

SUBJECT:

ITEM NO.:

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PETITIONER:

Stephen M. Friedman and Elaine F. Friedman

Tenants By Entireties

VIOLATION CASE NO.:

C-96-2457

LOCATION OF VIOLATION:

2433 Forest Green Road

Baltimore, Maryland 21209

3rd Election District

DEFENDANTS:

Stephen M. Friedman and Elaine F. Friedman

2433 Forest Green Road

Baltimore, Maryland 21209

Please be advised that the aforementioned petition is the subject of an active violation case. When the petition is scheduled for a public hearing, please notify the following person(s):

# NAME

#### ADDRESS

Beatrice Davis

2431 Forest Green Road Baltimore, Maryland 21209

After the public hearing is held, please send a copy of the Zoning Commissioner's Order to the Code Enforcement Supervisor, so that the appropriate action may be taken relative to the violation case.

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CASE NO. 96-329-A

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the above-captioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or final Order.

Peter Hay Zimmeinan PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

CAROLE S. DEMILIO

Deputy People's Counsel Room 47, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

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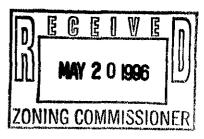
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this Aday of April, 1996, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Stephen M. and Elaine F. Friedman, 2433 Forest Green Road, Baltimore, MD 21209, Petitioners.

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

May 16, 1996

Mr. Timothy Kotroco Deputy Zoning Commissioner Old Court House 400 Washington Avenue - Room 112 Towson, Maryland 21204



RE: Friedman - 2433 Forest Green Road, Baltimore, Md. 21209 Case # 96-329A

Dear Sir:

On April 11, 1996 a hearing was held regarding the above captioned case in reference to the deck that was built.

Since I am directly affected by your decision, as the next door neighbor, I would appreciate hearing whether a decision has been made.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Ms. Beatrice Davis 2431 Forest Green Road Baltimore, Md. 21209

telephone (410) 486-0753

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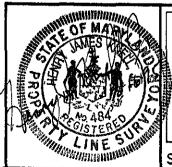
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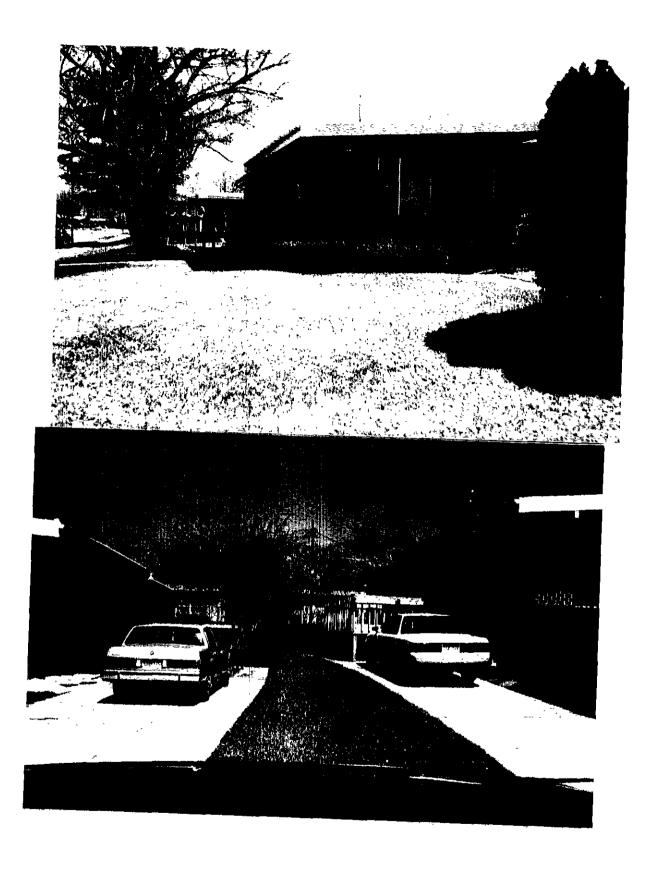


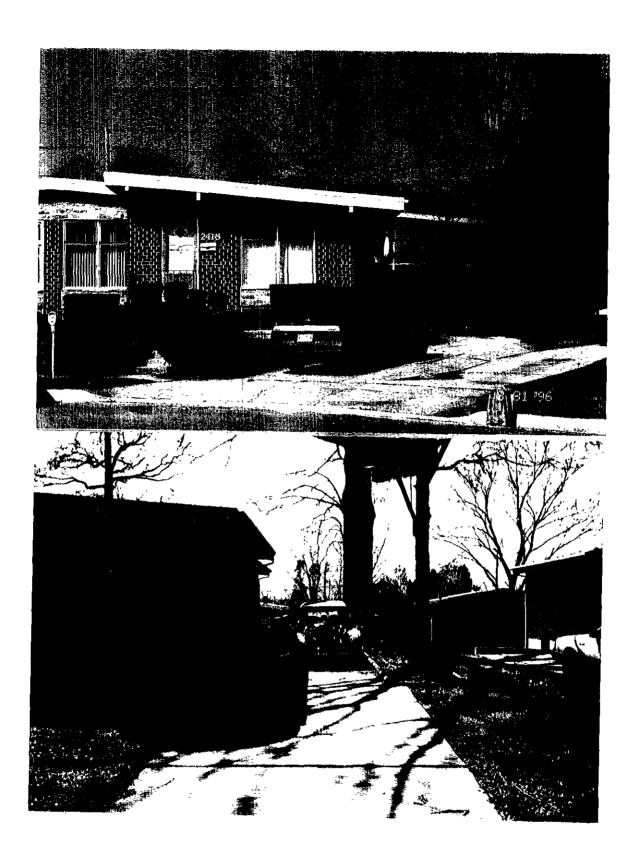


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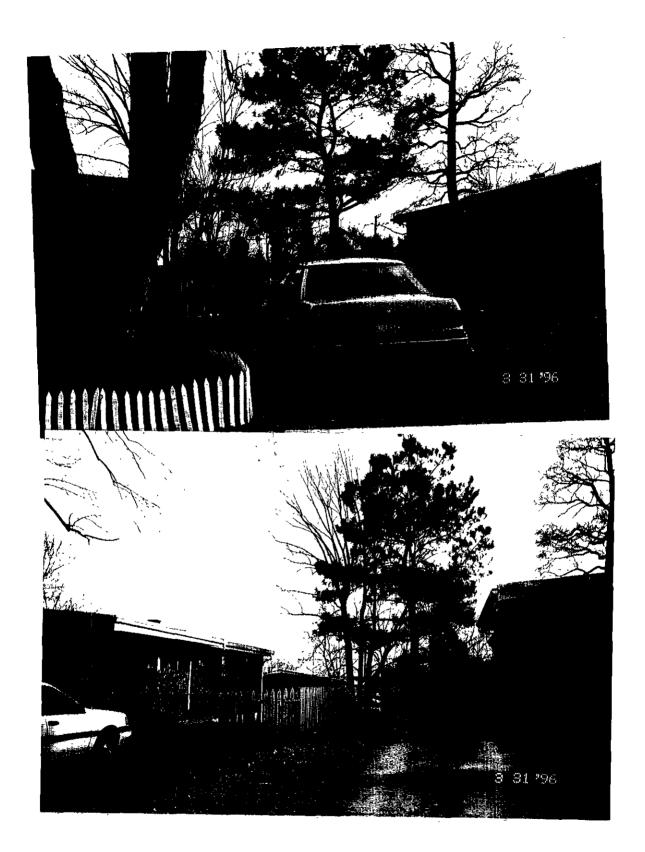


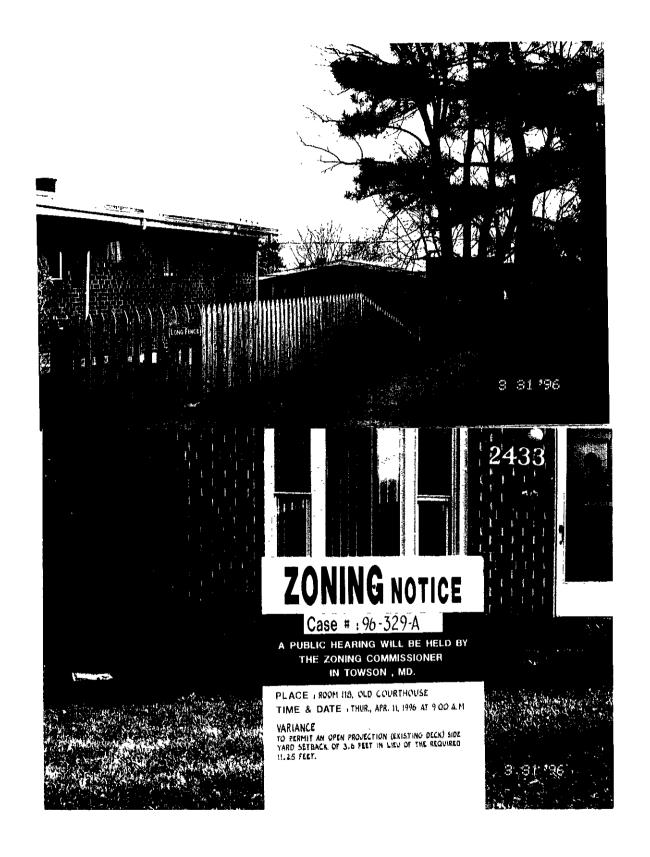












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# Petition for Variance

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County for the property located at 2133 FOREST GREEN POAD This Petition shall be filed with the Department of Permits & Development Management of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty) DECK WAS BUILT IN 1989 WITH PERMIT # B 204929 ISSUED 07/24/89 AND PASSED BY COUNTY INSPECTORS Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filling of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County. I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. Contract Purchaser/Lessee STEPHEN M FRIEDMAN (Type or Print Name) Signature Address State Zipcode Attorney for Petitioner (Type or Print Name) Signature Address Phone No. Name City State Zipcode Address Phone No. OFFICE USE ONLY



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# ZONING DESCRIPTION

96-329-A

# Zoning Description For 2433 FOREST GREEN ROAD, BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

Beginning at a point on the south side of Forest Green Road which is 60 feet wide at the distance of 755 feet west of the centerline of the nearest improved intersecting street Pimlico Road which is 60 feet wide. Being Lot # 16, Block A in the subdivision of Forest Green as recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book # 24, Folio # 23, containing 0.118 acres. Also know as 2433 Forest Green Road and located in the 3rd Election District, 2nd Councilmanic District.

IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE S/S Forest Green Road, 755' W of Pimlico Road (2433 Forest Green Road)

\* BEFORE THE \* DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER \* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

3rd Election District 2nd Councilmanic District \* Case No. 96-329-A

Stephen M. Friedman, et ux Petitioners

# FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

This matter comes before the Deputy Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Variance for that property known as 2433 Forest Green Road, located in the vicinity of Smith Avenue and Pimlico Road near Pikesville. The Petition was filed by the owners of the property, Stephen M. and Elaine F. Friedman. The Petitioners seek relief from Section 211.3 and 301.1 (1955 Regulations) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit an open projection (existing deck) with a side yard setback of 3.6 feet in lieu of the required 11.25 feet. The subject property and relief sought are more particularly described on the site plan submitted which was accepted and marked into evidence as Petitioner's

Appearing at the hearing on behalf of the Petition were Stephen Friedman, property owner, and Julius W. Lichter, Esquire, attorney for the Petitioners. Appearing in support of the request were Doris Hyatt and Gabriel Rosenbush, Jr., nearby property owners. Appearing as a Protestant in the matter was Beatrice Davis, adjoining property owner.

Testimony and evidence offered revealed that the subject property consists of .12 acres, more or less, zoned D.R. 5.5 and is improved with a single family dwelling and an attached open deck, which is the subject of this request. The Petitioners testified that they had applied for and

obtained a building permit to construct the subject deck in 1989 and that the deck has existed on the property since that time. There have been no modifications or changes to the structure since it was built. It was recently discovered, however, that this deck is located 3.6 feet from the property line shared with Ms. Davis. Testimony revealed that Ms. Davis resided next door at the time the deck was constructed and did not voice any complaint at that time. Ms. Friedman testified that she and her husband use the deck for cook-outs and for relaxing outdoors when weather permits. Ms. Friedman also submitted a Petition which had been signed by many of her neighbors who reside in the community indicating that they have no objections to the deck. Furthermore, the Petitioners submitted into evidence photographs of their property depicting the deck in question and other decks in the community which are built similarly.

As noted above, Ms. Beatrice Davis appeared in opposition to the relief requested. Ms. Davis is opposed to the deck as she feels it is too close to her property and invades her privacy. She testified that her neighbors can see into her bedroom when they use their deck. Ms. Davis testified that she has resided in her house since 1987 and assumed that the deck had been constructed in compliance with all Baltimore County regulations. Recently, however, Ms. Davis purchased a dog and had a fence constructed around her property. During the course of a property line survey of her property which was done for the fence, it was discovered that her neighbors' deck was located close to their property line and that a variance was required. Ms. Davis objects to the variance and believes the Petitioners should maintain the required setback for their deck.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

> 1) whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;

2) whether a grant of the variance would do a substantial justice to the applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give sufficient relief; and,

3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28 (1974).

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship will result if the variance is not granted. The testimony and evidence in this case shows that the deck has existed on the property for the past seven years. Furthermore, a valid building permit for the deck was issued and it should have been determined at that time if a variance was needed prior to construction of the deck. This error is not attributable to the Petitioners, but apparently is due to a clerical mistake made by a County employee. In any event, I do not believe that the Petitioners should be penalized and required to remove the deck or to reduce its size as a result of this error. In my opinion, the relief requested will not be detrimental to the health, safety or general welfare of the surrounding locale and meets the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the variance requested should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this 20 Hay of May, 1996 that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from Section 211.3 and 301.1 (1955 Regulations) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit an existing open projection (deck) with a side yard setback of 3.6 feet in lieu of the required 11.25 feet, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby GRANTED; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any party has the right to file an appeal of this decision provided they do so within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order.

> Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

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Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

Suite 112 Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

Exhibit 1.

(410) 887-4386

Julius W. Lichter, Esquire 305 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 113 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE S/S Forest Green Road, 755' W of Pimlico Road (2433 Forest Green Road) 3rd Election District - 2nd Councilmanic District Stephen M. Friedman, et ux - Petitioners Case No. 96-329-A

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petition for Variance has been granted in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Zoning Administration and Development Management office at 887-3391.

Very truly yours, TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO

Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

cc: Mr. & Mrs. Stephen M. Friedman Ms. Beatrice Davis

2431 Forest Green Road, Baltimore, Md.

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# Petition for Variance to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

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	I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petnion.
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96-329-A

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# CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was published in THE JEFFERSONIAN, a weekly newspaper published in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., once in each of \_\_\_\_ successive weeks, the first publication appearing on 3/14, 1996.

THE JEFFERSONIAN.

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Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management 111 West Chesapeake Avenue ZONING HEARING ADVERTISING AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES Baltimore County Zoning Regulations require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property and placement of a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the County. This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE AS FOLLOWS: Posting fees will be accessed and paid to this office at the time of filing. 2) Billing for legal advertising, due upon receipt, will come from and should be remitted directly to the newspaper. NON-PAYMENT OF ADVERTISING FEES WILL STAY ISSUANCE OF ZONING ORDER. For newspaper advertising:

Petitioner: FRIEDMAN Location: 2433 FOREST GREEN RD PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO: NAME: MR & MRS STEPHEN FREDMAN ADDRESS: 2433 FOREST GREEN RD BALTIMORE, MD 21209 PHONE NUMBER: (40) 484-0487 (Revised 04/09/93) TO: PUTUXENT PUBLISHING COMPANY March 14, 1996 Issue - Jeffersonian Please foward billing to:

Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Friedman 2433 Forest Green Road Baltimore, MD 21209

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County, will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204

Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Washington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

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HEARING: THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1996 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 118, Old Courthouse.

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

NOTES: (1) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL 887-3353. (2) FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, PLEASE CALL 887-3391.

Baltimore County Department of Permits and

March 7, 1996

Development Processing County Office Building III West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

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Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

April 4, 1996

Mr. and Mrs. Friedman 2433 Forest Green Road Baltimore, MD 21269

> RE: Item No.: 329 Jase No.: 96-329-A Petitioner: Stephen Friedman, et ux

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Friedman:

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from Baltimore County approval agencies, has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition, which was accepted for processing by Permits and Development Management (PDM), Zoning Review, on March 18, 1996.

Any comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. Only those comments that are informative will be forwarded to you; those that are not informative will be placed in the permanent case file.

If you need further information or have any questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency or Joyce Watson in the zoning office (887-3391).

> W Carl Richards, Jr. Zoning Supervisor

WCR/jw Attachment(s)

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

Date: March 18, 1996

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Arnold Jablon, Director Department of Permits & Development Management

> Robert W. Bowling, Chief Development Plans Review Division Department of Permits & Development Management

SUBJECT: Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for March 18, 1996 Item Nos. 327, 328, (329) 330 & 333 4

The Development Plans Review Division has reviewed the subject zoning items, and we have no comments.

cc: File

Baltimore County Government Fire Department

Office of the Fire Marshal (410)887-4880

DATE: 03/12/96

Arnold Jablon Director Zoning Administration and Davelopment Management Baltimore County Office Building Towson, MD 21204 MAIL STOP-1105

700 East Joppa Road

Towson, MD 21286-5500

RE: Property Owner: SEE BELOW Location: DISTRIBUTION MEETING OF MAR. 12, 1996

Gentlemen:

Item No.: SEE BELOW

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

Zoning Agenda:

8. The Fire Marshal's Office has no comments at this time, IN REFERENCE TO THE FOLLOWING ITEM NUMBERS:325,327,328,327, 330 AND 333. <

REVIEWER: LT. ROBERT P. SAUERWALD Fire Marshal Office, PHONE 887-4881, MS-1108

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Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration

David L. Winstead Secretary Hal Kassoff Administrator

3-8-96

Ms. Joyce Watson RE: Baltimore County Baltimore County Office of Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 109 Towson, Maryland 21204

Dear Ms. Watson:

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not affected by any State Highway Administration projects.

Please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

Very truly yours, Ronald Burns, Chief

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Arnold Jablon, Director Permits and Development Management

DATE: March 7, 1996

FROM: Pat Keller, Director Office of Planning

SUBJECT: Petitions from Zoning Advisory Committee

The Office of Planning has no comments on the following petition(s): Item Nos. 316, 317, 319, 321, 322, 325, 327, (329,) 330, and 333 5 If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 887-3480.

ITEM316/PZONE/ZAC1

May 16, 1996

Mr. Timothy Kotroco Deputy Zoning Commissioner Old Court House 400 Washington Avenue - Room 112

ZONING COMMISSIONER Towson, Maryland 21204 RE: Friedman - 2433 Forest Green Road, Baltimore, Md. 21209 Case # 96-329A

Dear Sir: On April 11, 1996 a hearing was held regarding the above captioned case in reference to the deck that was built.

Since I am directly affected by your decision, as the next door neighbor, I would appreciate hearing whether a decision has been made.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Beature Davis Ms. Beatrice Davis 2431 Forest Green Road Baltimore, Md. 21209 telephone (410) 486-0753

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Larry E. Schmidt Zoning Commissioner

James H. Thompson - MG Code Enforcement Supervisor

SUBJECT: ITEM NO.:

DATE: March 14, 1996

Stephen M. Friedman and Elaine F. Friedman Tenants By Entireties C-96-2457 VIOLATION CASE NO.: 2433 Forest Green Road Baltimore, Maryland 21209 3rd Election District Stephen M. Friedman and Elaine F. Friedman DEFENDANTS: 2433 Forest Green Road Baltimore, Maryland 21209 Please be advised that the aforementioned petition is the subject of an active violation case. When the petition is scheduled for a public hearing, please notify the following person(s): ADDRESS 2431 Forest Green Road Beatrice Davis Baltimore, Maryland 21209 After the public hearing is held, please send a copy of the Zoning Commissioner's Order to the Code Enforcement Supervisor, so that the appropriate action may be taken relative to the violation case. JHT//hek

AR-19-96 TUE 11:30 AM FRIEDMAN Repartment of Permits and Development Management Bureau of Code Enforcement
111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 CODE VIOLATION NOTICE NAME: Stephen + ELAINE FRIEdman / ADDRESS: 2433 Forest Green Rd. RE: Case No. 96-2457

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Julian 221. Dear MR + MRS FRIEdman In accordance with the <u>Baltimore County Code</u>, Article IV, Section 402. (d), an inspection was conducted of the above location, zoned.

This inspection revealed violation(s) according to the following code(s): Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR), Section 102.1. Building Code of Baltimore County, Maryland, Section 102.1. Livability Code, Baltimore County, Section 18-88. Deck on side of House Does not Meet

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Must File For a Zoning VARIANCE within

30 Days of this Nation to Have the The above violation(s) must be corrected on or before 12-9-95 or further legal action will proceed, in which you may be subject to a civil penalty. Should you need further clarification, please contact Code inspector, at (410) 887-4032- 6060

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RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE BEFORE THE 2433 Forest Green Road, S/S Forest Green Road, 755' W of Pimlico Road, 3rd ZONING COMMISSIONER Election District, 2nd Councilmanic OF BALTIMORE COUNTY Stephen M. and Elaine F. Friedman Petitioners CASE NO. 96-329-A ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the abovecaptioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or final Order.

> Peter play Commencer People's Counsel for Baltimore County

Carle S, Demilio CAROLE S. DEMILIO Deputy People's Counsel Room 47, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

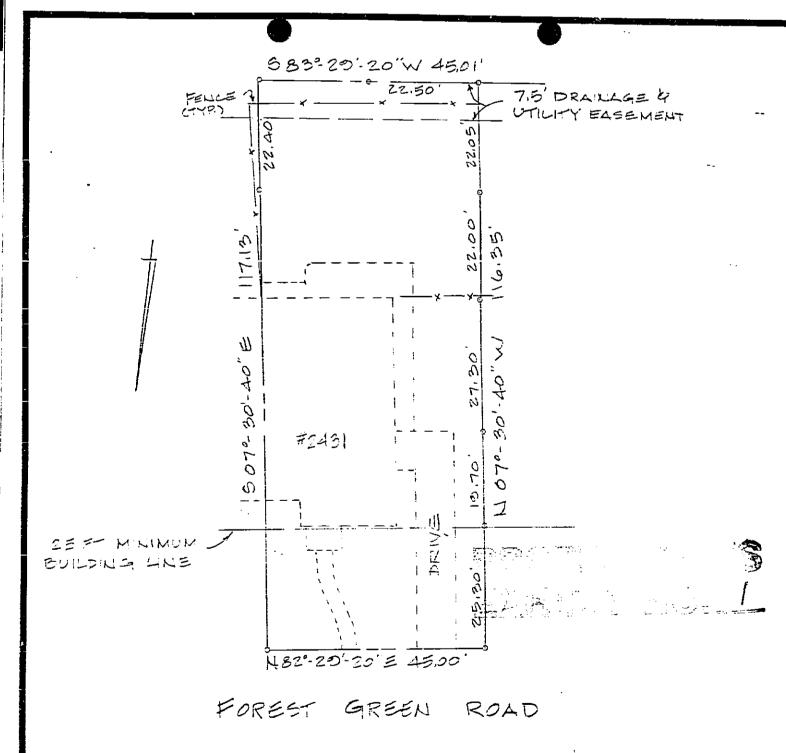
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this Agril, 1996, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Stephen M. and Elaine F. Friedman, 2433 Forest Green Road, Baltimore, MD 21209, Petitioners.

CITIZEN SIGN-IN SHEET PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY 2433 FOREST GREAN PL STEPHEN FRIEDMAN 2434 FOREST GREEN Rd. DORIS HUATT 1-450 Forced area Rel Goderel W. Rosenbook JR

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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY PROTESTANT(S) SIGN-IN SHEET				
BEATRICE	DAVIS	ADDRESS  2431 FOREST GREEN RD,  Baltmari, Md 21209		

Plat to accompany Petition for Zoning Variance Special Hearing PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2433 FOREST GREEN ROAD See pages 5 & 6 of the CHECKLIST for additional required information				
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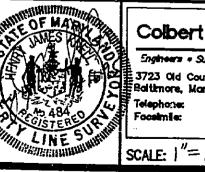


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